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## BEYOND THE BORDER: Making the Action Plan work for you

Wed Oct 24, 2012 07:15 AM - 2 PM at the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver

Prime Minister Stephen Harper and U.S. President Barack Obama recently announced that Canada and the United States have agreed to implement two action plans designed to speed up legitimate trade and travel, improve security in North America, and align regulatory approaches between the two countries.

Join us at this special forum to find out more about how this initiative can benefit you, your business and the local economy.

### *Agenda:*

*Registration & Networking: 7:15 a.m.*

*Breakfast Keynote: 7:30 - 9:15 a.m.*

**Chris Sands**, Senior Fellow, Hudson Institute and visiting Ross Professor of Canada-US Business and Economic Relations, Western Washington University.

*Introduction of special guests 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.*

**Gary Doer**, Canadian Ambassador to the United States

**Jim Nealon**, United States Deputy Chief of Mission

**Anne Callaghan**, United States Consul General

**Denis Stevens**, Canadian Consul General

*Panel One: 10:00 – 10:45 a.m.*

**The Beyond the Border Action Plan: How will it Improve the Border?**

*Coffee & Networking Break: 10:45 – 11:00 a.m.*

*Panel Two: 11:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.*

**Border Impacts in the Washington-British Columbia Region**

*Lunch and keynote: 12:00 – 2 p.m.*

**John Manley, CEO, Canadian Council of Chief Executives:** His long experience with border issues—going back to the Manley-Ridge days and the creation of the Smart Border Plan will provide insight into regional issues.

**PACE Stakeholder Roundtable 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. (optional)** Following the Forum, the Pacific Corridor Enterprise Council (PACE) will convene a meeting of interested stakeholders to discuss the formation of a regional coalition that would provide regular feedback to the federal governments as the "Beyond the Border" process goes forward. There is no need to pre-register for this Roundtable.

For more information and to register,  
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